

- (d) Coordinating the strategic planning process.
- (e) Assisting in the development of comprehensive and effective plans.
- (f) Identifying and evaluating economic, political, social, technical, and market trends and events.
- (g) Developing a projection of long-range business targets as a basis for setting goals and objectives.
- (h) Formulating alternative business strategies.
- (i) Conducting special economic studies.

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## PART 225—ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING DIRECTLY TO THE DEPUTY POSTMASTER GENERAL

AUTHORITY: 39 U.S.C. 203, 204, 401(2), 402, 403, 404, and 409.

### § 225.1 Operations Support Group.

The Operations Support Group is headed by an SAPMG. The group consists of three departments, each reporting to the SAPMG.

(a) *Delivery, Distribution, and Transportation Department.* The Delivery, Distribution, and Transportation Department is responsible for:

- (1) Developing and implementing national policies, procedures, and short- and long-range operational plans for the collection, distribution, transportation, and delivery of all classes of domestic, international, and military mail.
- (2) Developing and implementing national policies, procedures, and short- and long-range operational plans for field retail operations.
- (3) Establishing and controlling national (inter-regional) distribution and transportation networks.
- (4) Establishing requirements and managing the acquisition and deployment of mail transport equipment.
- (5) Developing procurement policies for the transportation of mail.
- (6) Managing the development of policies and procedures to ensure the optimum use and benefits of automated equipment.

(b) *Operations Systems and Performance Department.* The Operations Sys-

tems and Performance Department is responsible for:

- (1) Defining, operating, and maintaining the major operating performance management systems.
- (2) Setting goals, analyzing trends, and assessing performance in key operations areas.
- (3) Identifying and resolving operating problems.
- (4) Developing operating management systems, computer models, and new methods for distribution and delivery.
- (5) Directing the acquisition, deployment, maintenance, and disposal of postal vehicles.
- (6) Directing the maintenance and improvement of address information and related systems.

(c) *Engineering and Technical Support Department.* The Engineering and Technical Support Department is responsible for:

- (1) Planning and approving all operating requirements and standards for mechanized and automated facilities.
- (2) Establishing national policy and programs for the maintenance of facilities and mail processing, customer services, and delivery services related mechanization.
- (3) Maintaining a technical and field support capacity for new and modified equipment and providing for the overhaul of major mail processing equipment.
- (d) The Regional Postmasters General report to the Deputy Postmaster General.

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## PART 226—GROUPS AND DEPARTMENTS REPORTING TO THE ASSOCIATE POSTMASTERS GENERAL

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226.1 The Associate Postmaster General (Systems).

226.2 Facilities and Supply Group.

226.3 Human Resources Group.

226.4 Marketing and Communications Group.

226.5 Associate Postmaster General (International).

AUTHORITY: 39 U.S.C. 203, 204, 401(2), 402, 403, 404, and 409.

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## § 226.3

### § 226.1 The Associate Postmaster General (Systems).

The Associate Postmaster General (Systems) is responsible for managing groups, headed by an SAPMG, and departments which make up the support functions of the Postal Service.

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### § 226.2 Facilities and Supply Group.

(a) *General.* The Administrative Services Group consists of three departments headed by an Assistant Postmaster General and one department headed by the Judicial Officer.

(b) *Facilities Department.* The Facilities Department is responsible for:

(1) Designing, constructing, modifying, and repairing facilities.

(2) Leasing, purchasing, managing, and disposing of real estate.

(3) Developing policies, procedures, and new technology in support of facilities programs.

(4) Maximizing the use of real estate assets.

(c) *Procurement and Supply Department.* The Procurement and Supply Department is responsible for:

(1) Developing, implementing, and reviewing procurement and contracting policies and procedures.

(2) Developing, implementing, and reviewing warehousing and inventory of equipment and supplies.

(3) Directing the day-to-day maintenance and repair of the headquarters building.

(d) *Information Resource Management Department.* The Information Resource Management Department is responsible for:

(1) Providing data processing support services including systems analysis and programming.

(2) Establishing policy and procedures on the use of computers and telecommunications.

(3) Guiding the development of information systems.

(4) Managing a national data and voice communications systems.

(5) Providing payroll processing and distribution services and general accounting services.

(6) Providing technical solutions to information requirements.

(e) *Judicial Officer.*

(1) The Judicial Officer is responsible for:

(i) The performance of quasi-judicial duties and the issuance of final decisions and orders.

(ii) Serving as the agency for the purposes of the requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act.

(iii) Presiding at the reception of evidence as provided in rules of practice.

(iv) Revising or amending the rules governing eligibility to practice before the Postal Service, revising or amending Postal Service rules of practice governing proceedings conducted under the Administrative Procedure Act, and issuing and revising rules of practice for other proceedings.

(v) Serving as Chairman of the Board of Contract Appeals and performing the functions of the agency head under the Contract Disputes Act of 1978, as amended.

(vi) Administratively supervising Administrative Law Judges and hearing appeals from their decisions.

(2) Board of Contract Appeals is responsible for processing, hearing and issuing final agency decisions in connection with contract disputes.

(3) Office of Administrative Law Judges. Administrative Law Judges are responsible for presiding at administrative hearings as delegated by the Judicial Officer.

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### § 226.3 Human Resources Group.

(a) *General.* The Human Resources Group consists of three departments, each reporting to the SAPMG.

(b) *Employee Relations Department.* The Employee Relations Department is responsible for:

(1) Managing programs and policies for new and revised organization structures, staffing patterns, and job descriptions.

(2) Establishing outside recruitment and selection and internal promotion procedures.

(3) Managing all employee compensation and benefits programs and policies.

(4) Administering all equal employment opportunity and affirmative action programs.